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REORGANIZE PREFABRICATED HOUSING INDUSTRY

FACTORIES MERGE -- Belgrade, Politika, 1 Mar 51

Over 200 prefabricated buildings were put up in Belgrade in 1950. Many of the prefabricated parts were made in Belgrade factories. The "Standard-Beton" (Standardized Concrete) Factory alone delivered parts for 150 dwellings. The "Betonjerka" Enterprise also produced prefabricated parts. The "Cer" (Oak) Enterprise produced wooden roof construction parts, barracks, and wooden houses.

However, uniformity of products was not possible and quality of materials could not be controlled, because the enterprises were not centrally managed. Extensive investigation of the possibilities of new types of houses was not possible. Savings in money and raw materials could not be effected. In addition, an excessive number of administrative personnel were engaged in each enterprise.

Therefore, these enterprises were reorganized at the beginning of 1951 into a single enterprise, the "Standard-Beton" Combine. The new combine will produce all kinds of cinder-block construction items, reinforced-concrete parts, tarolite boards (made of cement and wood fiber), and a number of other products. The reorganization redistributes the work of the former enterprises, and some new workshops have been opened. New machines, ordered from the "Djuro Djakovic" Factory in Slavonski Brod, will be shipped to the "Betonjerka" Factory, and a new . in 1951. Among other items, the factory will produce 17,000 shop will be ' tons of concrete beams for ceiling construction, large numbers of reinforcedconcrete parts, etc.

In 1951, the combine will devote a great deal of attention to studying new types of houses. The combine plans to put up some prefabricated apartment buildings before the end of 1951, or 1952 at the latest, and go into the serial proauction of these buildings. The combine would do all the work on these from the foundation and construction to the installation of water, electricity, and furniture. For this reason, the combine has established the following: a furniture shop, an electrical machinery shop, a designing bureau, and two experimental workshops. A large site has been acquired at Vozdovac where construction will be

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tested. Eight new types of houses are already being studied. Those considered best will be produced serially. Several types of modern prefabricated buildings will be built before the end of 1951. These will be easily and quickly assembled. They will be less expensive than those produced up to the present, and will have all necessary rooms.

The combine will also produce about a million cinder and concrete blocks for the railroad buildings and for the apartments for youth working on the site of the Doboj-Banja Luka railroad. The combine will produce over 700,000 concrete blocks ordered by the Belgrade construction enterprises. It will also produce large quantities of tarolite boards for new prefabricated houses to be built or already under construction in Belgrade.

CONSTRUCT NEW HOUSING IN BELGRADE -- Belgrade, Politika, 1 Mar 51

The Central Council of the Association of Yugoslav Labor Unions has built six new one-story prefabricated buildings on Vojvoda Babunski Ulica in Belgrade. Each building has four two-room apartments. Ten million dinars were spent on these buildings. Union officials, and blue- and white-collar workers of the Central Coun il, of central councils of individual unions, and of the "Rad" Printing Enterprise live here.

The Main Council of the Unions of Serbia has decided that similar buildings should be constructed for their blue- and white-collar workers. These buildings will be built on Kumodraska Ulica in Vozdovac, and will be completed by autumn. The "Kosmaj" Enterprise in Belgrade is supplying the material for the buildings.

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